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Ed Reform and State Aid formulas prompt change in Special Town Meeting Date in Sutton

By Edward J. Cooney

SUTTON - The Selectmen met in a special meeting August 30 with the Finance Advisory Committee (FinCom) to review articles for a special town meeting originally scheduled for September 13, 1993. [On Friday, September 3, Board Chairman Mary K. Connor informed the Chronicle that the board of selectmen will reschedule both the September Special Town Meeting and the October Town Meeting at their next selectmen's meeting. On September 7, the Board did vote to change the date for the Special Town Meeting to October 5.]

A topic of much discussion was the financial picture of the town and the effect the new Education Reform legislation will have on school funding.

Connor introduced the FinCom members and new interim Town Administrator Clayton Carlisle. Prior to discussing the details of Sutton's financial picture, the board acted favorably on a request from the King family to release from Chapter 61A classification, two parcels of land called the "King parcels one and two," located on Uxbridge Road and Purgatory Road.

Carlisle said that all appropriate town departments were notified of the request for release from 61A, (agricultural land designation), and responded that their departments were not interested in exercising the option to acquire either of the two parcels. The town has first option to acquire land coming off a 61A designation.

The Board addressed the financial picture of the town prior to looking at the nine warrant articles for the Special Town Meeting Carlisle gave both boards the financial information he has developed along with the tax recap sheet completed by the Assessors and the "Cherry Sheet" from the State.

Carlisle said the State has appropriated a sum of $320,000 for educational reform for Sutton which is shown as a receipt on the Cherry Sheet. He said there is no need for appropriations to offset the figure as yet, since a town meeting vote is necessary to make that appropriation.

Carlisle said the figures supplied by the assessors shows a balance of $600,000 with the $320,000 in an increase in state aid which the town has within its capacity to raise and

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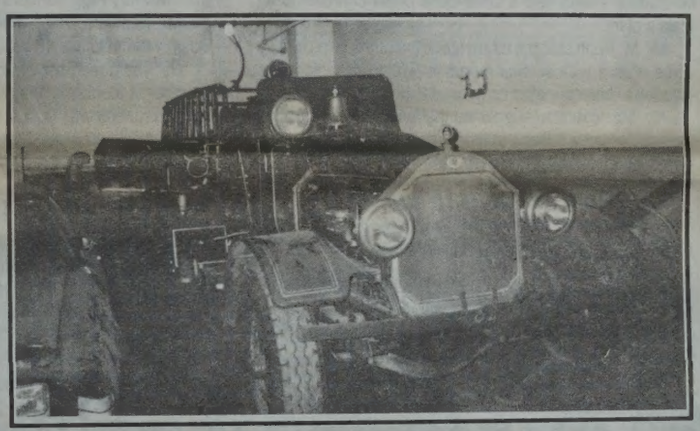
Unity Park seeking donations

SUTTON - The Wilkinsonville Unity Park Committee has ordered some $7,000 worth of equipment for the Unity Park Playground on Boston Road. The equipment includes swings, slides, 4-way buck-about, back hoe digger and more. The Committee now needs to raise another $6,000 for a fence to surround the park and ensure the safety of the children. All donations, large and small, will be appreciated. To donate, make checks payable to Town of Sutton and mail to Elaine Wilson, P.O. Box 329, Sutton, MA 01590.



Restoring a part of history

SUTTON - In 1952, the Town of Sutton purchased a 1920 Seagrave from Whitin Machine Works for $1.00, mainly to help protect #1 mill in Manchaug which the machine works was using for storage. The truck helped to service the village until 1986 when it was put in storage. The Manchaug Firemen's Association is holding a raffle to raise money to restore the fire truck and bring a little bit of history back into town. The truck will be used for a variety of town functions, including parades. Raffle prizes include $500 in cash, a cord of wood and a mountain bike. Tickets can be purchased at Crossroads store in Manchaug, JD Bousquet & Sons, Bicycles Plus, from any fireman and at Waters Farm Day on October 2 and 3. Tickets are $1.00 each or six for $5.00.

Heritage Homecoming Scheduled for October 1-3

Blackstone Valley Heritage Homecoming Days are scheduled for October 1-3. The theme of this year's program is "Bicentennial of America's Industrial Revolution."

The Schedule of Events is as follows:

PRE-HOMECOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

UPTON - 10:15 A.M., Constitution Day, Memorial School, Rt. 140. Memorial School students and representatives from veterans organizations, state and local officials gather to honor the U.S. Constitution.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

UPTON - Upton's Heritage Hall of Honor Banquet, dinner and award ceremony at Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall, Rt. 140 at 6:00 p.m. Reservations $11 per person. Contact Edward Furphy at 529-6588.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Noon to 5:00 P.M. - UPTON, "Two Hundred Years of Upton Industry" at the Upton Town Hall. Demonstrations and exhibits of Upton's industries during the 200 years of America's Industrial Revolution including boot making, hat making, lumbering and the art of making stained.

1-4 P.M. - UPTON, Fireman's Muster, Upton fire station grounds. Competition among fire departments of surrounding communities. All proceeds to benefit the fund to restore the hand tub, Niagara II. Refreshments available. Display of historic and modern fire equipment, parade to precede the event.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

9:00 A.M. - 4 P.M. - Blackstone River Boat tours. Forty-five minute "Thunder in the Mist" cruise between Blackstone, Massachusetts and Woonsocket Falls, Rhode Island. Boarding at Market Square, Woonsocket every hour on the hour. Reservations are suggested (call 40-334-7773). Tickets available at $7.00 per person, $6.00 for senior citizens (over age 62), or $5.00 for children under age 12.

10 A.M. to 3 P.M. - SUTTON - Sherman Blacksmith and Wainwright Shop Demonstration. A blacksmith will be on hand to demonstrate his craft, sponsored by the Sutton Historical Society. Take Boston Road, off Route 146 to Sutton center.

10 A.M. to 3 P.M. - SUTTON - Sutton Historical Society, General Rufus Putnam Museum open. Donations accepted. Museum displays of historical artifacts relating to the history of Sutton. Boston Road off Route 146 to Sutton center.

NOON TO 8 P.M. - SUTTON - Public Library Book Sale and Open House, 4 Uxbridge Road.

1:00 P.M. - UXBRIDGE - Dedication ceremony for new South Entrance of the Blackstone River and Canal Heritage State Park behind Stanley Woolen Mill, Cross Street, Uxbridge.]

1:30 P.M. UXBRIDGE - Eighth Annual Senior citizen Walktoberfest with medals awarded to the following: most senior male and female participant, most senior participant from each town, and first second, third awards for the towns with the most participants. Held at the Lady Carrington Canal Walk between Stanley Woolen Mill and Riverbend (formerly Voss Farm). Walkers are requested to assemble at 1:30 p.m. at the parking lot in the rear of Stanley Woolen Mill on Route 16. Wear comfortable shoes. Trail is reasonably smooth with a few roots and ruts. Refreshments and awards presentation at the end of the trail at Riverbend Farm. Contact Margaret Carroll at 883-7079.

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From the Editor's Desk...

A Fact is a Fact

Rep. Paul Kollios, responding by telephone to our editorial last week, said that he was not one of the legislative leaders wearing a button that read "liar liar pants on fire" and "the emperor has no clothes" as reported in an August 26 Telegram & Gazette front page story entitled, "Democrats assail proposed tax cut."

Mr. Kollios said he called the T&G to report the error. Not having seen a "Correction" in the T&G on this issue, we contacted T&G Boston Correspondent Edward T. McHugh, who wrote the story, and he acknowledged that Mr. Kollios was not wearing any buttons when his interview took place. Mr. McHugh was asked why he wrote, "The Millbury Democrat was among a score of legislative leaders - wearing buttons that read 'liar liar pants on fire and 'the emperor has no clothes' - who held a statehouse press conference on Weld's plan."

Mr. McHugh said the reference to the buttons must have come from a wire service report, a portion of which was inserted in his story after he passed it in.

Mr. McHugh also suggested that anyone working for a newspaper knows that the final article that hits the newsstands can be quite different from what was turned in by a reporter.

Sorry to disagree with you Mr. McHugh, but when it comes to the facts in a story, there should never be a change made without the approval of the author.

Where's Millbury?

Beginning on Page 1, readers will find a complete listing of all the events taking place for this year's 8th annual Heritage Homecoming Weekend. The weekend provides area families with an opportunity to experience the rich traditions and culture of the Blackstone Valley.

We would like to offer our congratulations to the many volunteers in those towns in the Valley who are responsible for the great variety of exhibits and demonstrations that will be available, most for a nominal fee.

Since Heritage Homecoming first began, Sutton has been a part of this celebration with a variety of events including demonstrations at the Blacksmith Shop, tours of the General Rufus Putnam Museum and the library, and, most notably, an impressive variety of exhibits at Waters Farm. This dedication on the part of Sutton volunteers speaks to Sutton's pride in its heritage.

What is sadly missing in the Homecoming Weekend is any participation by the Town of Millbury, "Gateway to the Blackstone Valley." Hopefully, in the future, Millbury will take advantage of the opportunity this weekend provides to focus on its many historical resources, including the Asa Waters Mansion, the West Millbury School House, the former Center School, the Masonic Home on South Main Street, the Library, the churches, to name just a few.

A community that ignores its heritage ignores the efforts of those pioneers who provided this country with the rich social, cultural, and religious flavor that we enjoy today.

Sutton has taken care to avoid this; let us hope Millbury will follow suit.

Obituaries

John J. Hamilton

MILLBURY - John J. (Buster) Hamilton, 74, of 92 Sycamore Street, died August 28th after being stricken ill in his home.

He leaves a brother, Charles P. Hamilton, Jr. of Auburn; two sisters, Mary Graveline of Millbury and Elizabeth T. DeRoy of Wallingford, Connecticut; nieces and nephews. He was born in Millbury, son of Charles P. Hamilton Sr. and Flora (Gendron) Hamilton and lived here all his life. He graduated from Millbury High School in 1937.

Mr. Hamilton was a machinist at Morgan Construction Co. in Worcester for 40 years, retiring in 1981.

He was a member of St. Brigid's Church and a former member of a bowling League at Morgan Construction Co.

The funeral was held August 31st from Mulhane Home for Funerals, 45 Main Street, with a Mass in St. Brigid's Church, 59 Main Street. Burial was in St. Brigid's Cemetery.

Josephine F. McCluskey

MILLBURY - Josephine "Betty" F. (Cobiski) McCluskey, 88, of 284 Millbury Avenue, died September 3rd in Spring Valley Convalescent Home, Worcester.

Her husband, Joseph F. McCluskey died in 1940. She leaves a son, Joseph F. McCluskey of Marlboro; two sisters, Delia Chesluk and Rose Tivnan, both of Millbury; three grandsons; nieces and nephews. She was born in Lawrence, daughter of Frank and Anna (Serpickas) Cobiski and lived in Millbury for 35 years, moving to Worcester five years ago.

She was a member of St. Brigid's Church.

The funeral was held September 4th from Mulhane Home for Funerals, 45 Main Street, with a Mass in St. Brigid's Church, 59 Main Street. Burial was in Notre Dame Cemetery, Worcester.

Esther E. Grundstrom

MILLBURY - Esther E. (Beauregard) Grundstrom, 91, of 210 West Main Street, died September 3rd in St. Vincent Hospital, Worcester after an illness.

Her husband, Godfrey O. Grundstrom died in 1978. She leaves three sons, Edward R. Grundstrom of Sutton, Robert F. Grundstrom of Worcester and Philip W. Johnson of Millbury; two daughters, Esther Viscera and Helen Nobilitte, both of Shrewsbury; twelve grandchildren; nineteen great grandchildren; one great great granddaughter; nieces and nephews. She was born in Millbury, daughter of Louis J. and Anna E. (McLean) Beauregard and lived in Worcester for many years before returning here in 1979.

Mrs. Grundstrom was a member of the Millbury Federated Church, the Millbury Golden Age Club and the Millbury Council on Aging.

Funeral services were held September 7th in Mulhane Home for Funerals, 45 Main Street. Burial was in Central Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Millbury Council on Aging, 123 Elm Street, Millbury, MA 01527 or to the District Nursing Society, 123 Elm St., P.O. Box 45, Millbury, MA 01527.

Another Point of View

Could the Government Bankrupt itself?

By Lawrence Moore

A tid-bit buried in a financial news article caught my eye and set me thinking. One think led to another, and before long my thoughts overran my thinks....and I was back at the same old stand: Unless something substantial changes for the better, our economy is going to hell in a handbasket!

According to the International Monetary Fund, the current ratio of debt to GDP is 59.6%, expected to rise to 65% by 1998. GDP, of course, is one of the favorite government financial yardsticks, and (forgive me) means Gross Domestic Product, the sum of all the goods and services the United States produces in a year. Simplified, it means that if you were a small manufacturer you would borrow and be in debt $65 for every $100 you produced. Borrow, that is, if you could find a bank to lend you that much. Banks lend based on net worth, but with deficits and debt, the United Sates government has no marketable net worth.

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Beacon Hill Roll Call

BOSTON - This week's "Beacon Hill Roll Call" records the votes of Senator Matthew Amorello and Representatives Richard Moore (D-Uxbridge) and Paul Kollios (D-Millbury) on some of the pending bills which have received a favorable vote on a roll call in the House and may be up for another vote in a few weeks.

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY (H 4295) The House 120-30, has given initial approval to a bill requiring all presidential candidates in the state's presidential primary to collect 2500 signatures in order to get their names on the ballot. Current law requires the 2500 signatures unless the Secretary of State determines that a candidate is generally recognized in the national news media or the candidate's name is submitted by a state political party committee chair. Supporters claim the bill treats everyone equally while opponents claim the measure is restrictive and will deprive voters of more choices by hurting the chances of underfunded but legitimate candidates. The bill needs further approval in the House before it goes to the Senate. Moore voted for the 2500 signature requirement. Kollios did not vote.

WETLANDS FUND (H 2842) The House 119-28, has given initial approval to a bill requiring each city or town to establish a wetlands protection fund and allowing local conservation commissions to spend the money in the fund without approval by the city council or town meeting. The measure requires written approval of the spending by the mayor, selectmen or town manager. Supporters argue the measure will allow conservation commissions flexibility to act quickly and not lose opportunities when town meetings are not in session. Opponents say the bill takes power away from town meetings and elected city councils and gives it to un-elected officials. The measure needs further approval in the House before it goes to the Senate. Moore and Kollios voted for the bill allowing the conservation commissions to spend the money.

UNEMPLOYED POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS (H 1907) - The House, 124-24, has approved a bill allowing laid off police and firefighters who are rehired to be credited with active service for their period of unemployment. The measure permits these employees to back pay what they owe for that period into the retirement fund and eventually receive increased seniority and retirement benefits. Supporters argue these officers who risk their lives should not be denied good pensions because of cutbacks and resulting layoffs. Opponents say the bill is special interest legislation which will add to the unfunded pension liability problem. The House sent the bill to the Senate which gave the measure initial approval on a voice vote. The bill needs another favorable vote in the Senate and then final approval in both branches before it can go to Governor Weld. Moore and Kollios voted for the bill crediting the period of unemployment.

COMING UP ON BEACON HILL

CHILD ABUSE (S 219) The House has given near final approval and the Senate has given initial approval to similar versions of a bill making child abuse a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison. While the bill has broad support, a group of legislators is fighting to amend the bill to exempt parents who deny their children medical treatment because of the parents' religious beliefs.

CIGARETTES AND MINORS (S 45) The Health Care Committee has given a favorable report to a bill requiring tobacco companies to place on the labels of any tobacco products sold in Massachusetts a warning that it is illegal to sell the product to anyone under the age of 18. The bill is currently in the Senate Ways and Means Committee and proponents hope to bring it to the Senate floor for a vote.

GAY STUDENTS (H 3353) The House has given initial approval to a bill prohibiting discrimination against students in public schools on the basis of sexual orientation. Proponents are pushing for further House approval so that the bill can move to the Senate.

TERMINALLY ILL CHILDREN (H 710) The House has given initial approval to a bill allowing terminally ill children up to ten years of age to buy one $5000 life insurance policy for the purpose of burial expenses. The measure prohibits any companies from canceling, refusing to renew or charging excessive rates for the policy. The bill needs further approval in the House before it moves to the Senate.

Pre-Business Workshop

WORCESTER - A Pre-Business Workshop for those who are thinking about going into business as well as a Basic Orientation in Small Business Management will be held Monday, September 20, from 5:30-9:30 p.m. at the Worcester State College Student Center Auditorium, 486 Chandler Street.

The workshop will cover developing your own business plan, financing your own small business, marketing, record keeping, market research, legal, accounting, and other subjects. The registration fee is $20.00 which includes all materials.

The Worship is presented by SCORE, which is sponsored by the U.S.A. Small Business Administration. For more information, call the Score office at 753-2929.

Reflections from the Clergy

This weeks "Reflections" was submitted by Sister Sheila Finnigan of St. Mark's Parish in Sutton.

It is September and the end of a warm, sunny summer. Children are back in the classroom and parents can breathe a sigh of relief-the young ones have made it through another summer. This is a time when children are in so much danger from violence, abuse and kidnapping. We have all been affected by the disappearance of Holly and worry about the children we love and care for. We like to feel that school is a place where they can be safe and happy.

Jesus loved children. He said that the Kingdom of Heaven was made up of them; their angels see the face of God. This was a very hard fact for the disciples to learn. They tried to push them away from Jesus who was just taking a little break. After all, this man was getting ready to establish a Kingdom and they, surely, were destined for a high rank in the realm. It was shocking to hear this: "Unless you become like children...." I'm not sure that the disciples of Jesus ever learned what He meant. They probably dismissed the notion and let the children have their time.

Since children are so special, what a responsibility is ours as parents, teachers to show them just how much they are loved by God and by all of us. We have the responsibility to reveal God's love to them. The child who grows up in a warm, accepting atmosphere will not be surprised at the news that God also loves him/her. The child who has not received this kind of love will not believe this fact. The child who grows up being loved even after throwing a tantrum will understand the unconditional love of God.

What did Jesus see in the faces of the children he had at his feet? I guess he saw what we all see: trust, innocence, openness, conversation free from hidden agendas, unconditional love, hope and promise. This is what we must be like in order to be part of the kingdom of heaven. What can we do for our children to keep them the way they are?

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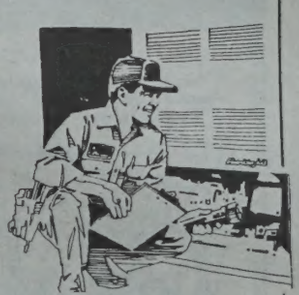

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appropriate. The $320,00 will be a direct pass through from the Cherry Sheet to the School Committee.

Based on the computation the State used to determine last year's figure, this year Sutton will have to raise $159,000, Carlisle said. Some of that amount will be appropriated through the school employees' insurance account. "We will be cross-checking those figures to see just how little we will have to appropriate for the threshold needed to qualify for the State grant. That work goes on," he said.

Carlisle mentioned that though the May Annual Election did not approve a "Debt Exclusion Override" to fund the capital expenditures needed to replace the Highway Department's aging dump trucks, the Police Department's cruisers, etc., those items are still needed. He said the selectmen should discuss the acquisition of these issues before the town meeting.

He also noted that the actual receipts for Fiscal Year (FY) '93 came in $11,000-$12,000 lower than the amount estimated before the tax recap sheet was filed in September of 1992. The Town is expected to pick up $847,000 in estimated receipts as opposed to the estimated figures of $835,000, he said.

Carlisle went on to explain that the reason for the September Special Town Meeting is so the tax rate can be approved and bills sent out. He said if it were not for that, the selectmen could have waited until the October Annual Town Meeting. He noted that the Selectmen had reviewed some 16-17 articles at their August 23 meeting and split them between the September warrant and the October warrant, taking the financial articles before the September meeting so all the money issues could be resolved and thus make FY '94 complete within the FY '94 tax rate.

Connor said she wanted to clarify a point regarding the warrant articles. She said the selectmen took the warrant article requests as they came in, some being submitted by department heads. She also noted some warrant articles were by residents' petition and some warrant articles were put on by the selectmen. The articles for the September meeting were money articles and were included not because the selectmen were in favor of them, she said, but mostly because they didn't have the numbers for them.

Connor then asked Carlisle to clarify the financial figures noting that it was thought that Sutton had approved a balanced budget at its May Annual Town Meeting. "I want to know now, how we have $600,000 available as we have already accounted for the $320,000 and the $159,000? Is that correct?" she asked.

FinCom Chairwoman Claudette Rice asked how the $40,000 given as extra to the School Committee last year comes into the Maintenance of Effort.

Connor noted that the school department received a total amount of $159,000, part of which was the $40,000. She said the numbers coming from the State do not reflect what Sutton has done.

Carlisle said the $159,000 figure is something the State came up with using their formulas and the data they had in Boston. "So when the town meeting in Sutton gives more, there is no way they in Boston know about it." He said the town will not be given credit for funding transportation of students for Athletics, Special Education, and several other categories.

FinCom member Ken Piel asked if the insurance and benefits for school employees would come out of the $159,000.

Carlisle noted that any increase in employee benefits, property and health insurance, and any change in the debt that was not in the basic formula would come off the $159,000.

Piel suggested that the town seek a copy of the State formula so as to know whether the formula is being used to benefit the town. "How else will we know?" he asked.

In response to Connor's inquiry on the source of the $616,000 discrepancy which shows Sutton as having more money now than in May, Carlisle said, "I can only rely upon the notes that we have as to budget forecasting. The increase is the result of state aid, roughly $288,000, which is noted here on the balance sheet that we are trying to work with. Originally, it was (budget) level funded, and, now, it is up $288,000. The difference is roughly $288,000. And in regard to local receipts, they were dropped back to the estimate Dexter had of $847,000. New growth is another variation, and it was underestimated at $85,000 with the new numbers being $130,000."

Connor commented that the figures given prior to the tax levy were quite different also.

Carlisle indicated they did not change that much. "The tax levy," he said, "was known prior to the town meeting. It was $4.7 million, and the new base is $4.9 million which, when you add 2 1/2, plus growth, the exempted debt, that accounts for that ($4.9 million) figure."

Selectman James Gvazdauskas said the tax levy at the Annual Town Meeting was $4.6 million. This year's figure for FY '93 is $4.5 million. "What is the difference between the $4.6 and $4.5?" he asked.

Carlisle said he was not Sutton's town administrator at the time and could not answer that easily, but noted the subtotal of $4.6 was added to by state aid, local receipts, school aid and school building assistance which brings it to a number similar to the $4.7 million tax levy.

Board member Wally Johnson asked how much money is needed to fund a balanced budget, including the school's, taking into consideration any increases beyond what was funded at the Annual Town Meeting in May in order to conform to the Education Reform Bill?

Carlisle responded, "We don't have an exact figure. We do have what the state warned us of, $159,000 plus the $320,000 (state aid)."

Johnson said, "We have to get up some additional funds for us to qualify for state aid; right? We don't know what those additional funds are?"

Carlisle answered, "$159,000."

"Then, that's a safe figure?" Johnson asked. "We have to get up $159,000, and how much money do we now have to play with that's over and above what we had at the May town meeting?"

Carlisle replied, "$616,000."

Connor said she would like to know where that amount came from.

Carlisle told Johnson that $320,000 has to be taken out of that figure.

Johnson replied, "Then that leaves a figure of $296,000." Carlisle agreed and noted that would help the town put up the $159,000 for "Local Effort of Maintenance of the Schools."

"This is the part that confuses me," Johnson said, with Connor agreeing.

Connor said this is the type of question people are going to ask at the town meeting: "Where does that figure of $296,00 come from?" Carlisle replied, "I can go back over the sheets used when this was forecasted, and what you have today."

Connor asked Carlisle if he was comfortable with the figures.

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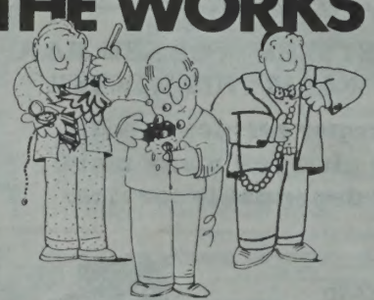

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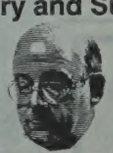

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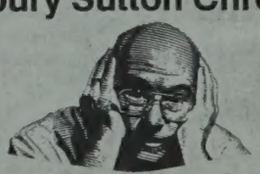

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Carlisle said he was and commended the assessors for their work on the tax sheet recap.

Connor said there is a need to answer two questions: How much will the town meeting have to transfer to the school to qualify for the state aid, and, she said, "The other question is one we didn't think we would have to ask but, if there is money beyond that, how are we going to do (spend it) that? Of the $159,000 for the school budget, now much is already there?"

"That is what we want to get a handle on," Carlisle said, "and that is what Ken Redding (town's accountant) is looking at. One variable is how many new personnel the school department will take on as health insurance is expensive. The town pays for 50% percent of that and that could be $3000 per person which the town has to appropriate. If there were ten people taken on, where someone goes from 18 hours to 21 hours, they will be eligible for health insurance. If ten, that could amount to $30,000 more in health insurance."

Connor again asked if the overestimated amount of monies in the health insurance could be credited towards what the town gives the schools as a maintenance of effort?

Carlisle said he didn't know if that was the case. "I know that every dollar that was put in that account that was to go to the schools, the state thinks they have already worked that in to their computations. We would want to cross-check that," he said.

Wally Johnson again asked, "How many monies that we have do we have to put into the schools? You have here $159,000."

Carlisle replied, "You have to spend, in hard earned tax monies, $159,000. The Cherry Sheets gives you $320,000."

Connor noted that there was an amount of $40,000 given to the schools at the May town meeting which has to be deducted from that figure.

Carlisle said he was working off the bigger number as there is no final computation as yet.

"Do you know of any other numbers besides the $40,000 we can take off?" Connor asked.

Carlisle mentioned the health insurance. If ten more employees are added, then possibly some monies already appropriated will have to be allocated to pay for the health insurance "other than the $40,000 you already have put up," he said. "I don't really know of anything else that isn't already computed by the assessors into this figure and what is on the sheets."

Labonte said that as he understands what has been said, "The town has $616,000 of which $320,000 is committed and another $159,000. That drops down to $137,000 left, plus $40,000 given to the schools this year may be part of the $159,000. So that means we have somewhere between $137,000 and $177,000 we now have that we didn't know we would have. Is that a fair statement?" he asked.

Carlisle responded, "I wasn't here at the beginning of the year."

Labonte said if this is the case, it would alleviate a lot of his worries.

Piel suggested that the Department of Education be asked to provide a copy of the formula. "We are taking the State's word on these figures. I'm not fully comfortable that the $159,000 is the number." He mentioned $28,000 going into insurance and benefits.

Connor suggested that the numbers come from the State. "They tell us. You may have to talk to (School Superintendent) Gordon (Spence) to see how many new employees there may be."

Carlisle said, "They are in the process of signing them up for health insurance. I'll help coordinate it, but I can't do the grunt work."

Carlisle said the other major change was in the area of "judgements, offsets, and deficits" noting that Dexter Blois level funded that from FY '93 totalling $1.158 million. The efforts of the assessors this year on the "judgements, offsets and deficits" are $833,000. "That is almost the $300,000 you were looking for before in insurance," he said. "There really are not any other significant changes," said Carlisle.

"Can I go back to my question again," asked Johnson. "All I want to know is how much money we have left after we get through taking care of the schools; forget the rest of the budget. We have $600,000 and somewhat?"

Carlisle said it is $516,000 in the tax levy that can be voted.

Johnson continued, "Then the $616,000 is the amount we have over and above what we appropriated at the May meeting?"

"Correct," said Carlisle.

"How much is actually coming out of that $616,000 for the schools? Not insurance now," Johnson asked, "just for the schools - which will have us conform with the requirement for state aid. I have asked this ten times, and I have yet to get an answer."

Carlisle answered, "We haven't got all the numbers as yet but it looks like it would be $480,000."

"I'm trying to simplify this for my own feeble mind," said Johnson.

"I'm keeping my hands in my pocket when a horse trader says he isn't too bright," Carlisle remarked jokingly. "The figure of $480,00 is the worst that it could be."

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Friends meeting

MILLBURY - The Friends of the Millbury Public Library will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, September 23, at 6:30 p.m. It is also time for the 1993-1994 dues to be paid.

Following the meeting, Elaine Loehmann and Karen Beaudoin will present a book talk, "From ABC's to Zen: Books for all Ages." Refreshments will be served.

Book and Bake Sale

MILLBURY - The Friends of the Millbury Public Library will hold a Book and Bake Sale at the Library on Saturday, September 25, from 9 a.m. to noon. Anyone wishing to donate books or baked goods may drop them off at the library.

Chemical Awareness Night

MILLBURY - On Tuesday, October 19, at 7 p.m. Millbury Memorial Jr./Sr. High School will present "It's Your Team, It's Your Performance, It's Your Decision," a presentation by Thomas Hermanowski of Hopkinton.

Hermanowski holds a Masters in Health Education, played three years on the varsity football team at Syracuse University, was a head coach in football, basketball and baseball, and is a Health Education Director/Teacher, K-12. He is Chairman of the Substance Abuse Task Force, Director of Peer Leadership Program and a SADD consultant.

The program is free of charge and open to the public. This program is suitable for younger athletes who participate on Town youth teams.

NOTE TO ATHLETES: This program is mandatory for all Millbury Jr./Sr. High School athletes at all levels. Attendance will be taken. Failure to attend will result in NO athletic awards earned and you will NOT be allowed to participate in any sport for the remainder of the school year.

NOTE TO PARENTS: It is required that at least one parent/guardian attend this program with their son/daughter.

Grade 7 Parents Orientation

MILLBURY - The parents of Grade 7 students are encouraged to participate in an evening orientation program at the Media Center/Library of Millbury Jr./Sr. High School at 7 p.m. on September 20. Administration and Guidance personnel will discuss the student handbook, scheduling, code of conduct and other school issues. Questions will be encouraged. Coffee "and" will be available.

Children with ADD

NORTHBORO - C.H.A.D.D. (Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders) of Central Mass. will present "Diagnosing and Treating ADHD in Children and Adults" on Thursday, October 7, from 6:45 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Northboro Middle School on Lincoln Street. For more information on this program, call 508-393-6324.

Extended P.O. window hours

MILLBURY - Effective August 14, the Millbury Post Office will extend its window hours as follows: Monday through Friday, 7:30-5:30 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Deaf Awareness Week

WORCESTER - Deaf Awareness Week will be held in the Worcester area September 19-25. This is part of nationwide effort to increase awareness about Deaf people and their language and culture. The week is being coordinated locally by employees form various agencies in Central Massachusetts as well as a statewide Deaf Awareness Week Planning committee.

The events will educate the public about the rich culture and history of Deaf people, American Sign Language and more. This is also a week to collect various information sheets and resources. To receive a calendar of the week's events and Central Massachusetts events flyers, contact the Center for Living and Working, Inc. at 798-0350.

Garden Club Luncheon

GRAFTON - All members of the Grafton Garden Club and their guests are invited to meet at St. Andrew's Church, Rt. 140, North Grafton at noon on Tuesday, September 14, to enjoy a pot luck luncheon and a guest speaker. Connie Tancrell and Claire Ojerholm will serve as hostesses.

Karen Probst, Education Coordinator at Tower Hill Botanic Garden in Boylston, will speak on "Flower Shows from a Judge's Perspective." Probst served as one of the judges of the 1991 GGC Flower Show. With another flower show pending, her tips and suggestions on entering prize winning exhibits will be timely and helpful.

Reminder, Flower show, Saturday, September 18, 10-4 p.m. Sunday, September 19, 1-5. Also, members' preview party on Friday, September 17, from 7-9 p.m. (invitations only) at the Willard Clock Museum.

Correction: Wednesday, October 13 at 7:30 p.m., Robert Murphy, N.E. Regional Lily Society, will speak on "Lilies, Lilies and more Lilies" at the Municipal Center, Grafton.

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FRIDAY: Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza, FF, Tossed Salad
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
MONDAY: Hot Dog on a Roll, FF, Baked Beans, Pears
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THURSDAY: Oven Baked Chicken, Mashed Potato, Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Pan Roll/Butter, Brownie
FRIDAY: Tuna Sandwich, Potato Puffs, Carrots/Celery Stix, Ice Cream

Senior Parents' Night

MILLBURY - An information night for parents of seniors planning on college or other formal post high school training will be held Thursday, September 16, at 7 p.m. in the Millbury High School Auditorium. The procedures for applying to college and for financial aid will be explained as well as opportunities through the military. Parents of juniors are also welcome. This is an important meeting for parents to attend.

Sutton Boy Scouts

SUTTON - The Sutton Boy Scouts will hold an Open House/Registration Night for any boy wishing to join scouting on Thursday, September 16, from 7-8 p.m. at the Sutton Public Library. Registration fee is $15.00 for all levels; Boys Life magazine is optional.

Cub Scouts is for boys in grades 2-5, Boy Scouts for grades 6-12. The Tiger Cub program is available for boys in grade 1 and an adult partner. Adults Cub Scout Leaders are also needed.

Public Lands Day

OXFORD - On September 11, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will celebrate Public Lands Day at Hodges Village Dam in Oxford, located at the end of Howarth Road, a right hand turn off Charlton Street, less than one mile form the center of Oxford.

During the day there will be a ranger-led hike along the French River, and a bike hike led by volunteers that ends at the Cedar Swamp Crossing. The hike along the French River will begin at 10 a.m. and the bike hike at 1:30 p.m. Rangers will present dam tours at 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. All the hikes and tours will begin at the upper parking lot at Hodges Village Dam.

Throughout the morning and afternoon there will be several work party projects including Osprey nesting pole installation and wood turtle habitat improvement taking place.

In the afternoon, after a visit by Woodsy Owl, a slide show with popcorn and soda will be presented on the construction of Hodges Village Dam and the natural environment upstream of the dam. The slide program will be free and will begin between 4:30 and 5:00 p.m. at the dam. For more information on the day's events or on how you can be part of Public Lands Day, call 248-5697.

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Therefore the Government simply sells more bonds, and goes deeper into debt. That's what has been happening since 1974. After World War II the Debt/GDP ratio declined to a low of 25%. Ever since then it has been rising. Currently, the United States suffers the indignity of a review by the International Monetary Fund, which terms the reduction of our deficits "crucial." Not having seen the full report, I cannot define "crucial" relatively, but it seems not farfetched to conclude that when our debt exceeds our production...we are bankrupt. Since, in spite of our sad economic shape, our economic viability is "crucial" to the world's economy, the world economy would be in crucial turmoil.

Bad things are happening. Foreign buyers have slowed their purchases of our bonds. Bank interest is at a ridiculous low, as are C.D. rates. Money is flowing into the markets and mutual funds at an unprecedented rate. There is no summer slowdown in Wall Street or in mutual fund sales. In July bond-fund purchases increased 22% over June to a record $13 billion. Stock-fund purchases increased 5.9% to $9.7 billion. That's $22.7 billion dollars that, to a great extent, came out of the potential economy-building base (money available to borrowers) and swept into the money-preservation base, which builds no factories, employs no people, and which builds no assets. A share of stock that a company sold at $10, so it could build and employ, brings no more money to the company even if it goes to $100!

What needs to be done is simple; how to do it is complex. Governments must admit that they are no more and no less than economic entities. Businesses have been forced to make themselves fiscally sound because they had no alternative. They couldn't borrow any more money. To date that kind of fiscal squeeze has not affected out ability to increase our debt. State and federal governments must emulate business. Simply put, government must find a more efficient way serve the public.

Recent government forecasts, slow growth and continued increasing deficits, confirm my amateur conclusions. There is a possibility that the Government could bankrupt itself.

Art Association

WHITINSVILLE - The Blackstone Valley Art Association will begin its 1993/94 season on Monday, September 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the Whitinsville Community Center. Charles Movalli will be the guest demonstrator. The public is invited.

Movalli received his BA from Clark University and Ph.D. from the University of Connecticut. He is a member of many prestigious art associations, including the North Shore Art Association, Hudson Valley Art Association, Academic Artists, and Guild of Boston Artists. He was awarded the Gold Medal from the Salmagundi Club in New York and the Rockport Art Association's gold and silver medals. He has written many books and is a contributing editor to American Artist magazine. He is listed in Who's Who in American Art.

Looking for greener pastures?

CHRONICLE photos by Alexander A. Belisle

SUTTON - A bull and two cows looking for greener pastures took a leisurely stroll down West Sutton Road recently. Along the way (top photo), Dylan Polseno, accompanied by his mother Gayle, decided to introduce themselves to their unexpected guests. The three animals continued on their travels on this hot summer day and seemed to be tempted to exchange their barn for the luxury of an air conditioned split level which they checked out.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

8:00 A.M. - NORTHBRIDGE - Alternatives Valley Tour '93. Bike or walk through the Blackstone Valley as the foliage reaches its peak. Choose a 10K walk/ride, 30 mile ride, 50 mile ride, 100K ride. Benefits people with disabilities. Registration 8 A.M. at Alternatives, 54 Douglas Road, Whitinsville. Tour begins at 9:00 A.M. Registration fee is $15.00 per person ($10 per person before September 25, 1993) plus $35 minimum in pledges. Rain or shine. All participants receive a T-shirt, light lunch, snack and water stops. Contact Clare Moses at 234-6232.

9 A.M. TO 4 P.M. - BLACKSTONE - Blackstone River Boat Tours. Forty-five minute "Thunder in the Mist" cruise between Blackstone, Massachusetts and Woonsocket Falls, Rhode Island. Boarding at Market Square, Woonsocket every hour on the hour. Reservations are suggested (call 401-334-7773). Tickets available at $7.00 per person, $6.00 for senior citizens (over age 62), or $5.00 for children under age 12.

9 A.M. to 4 P.M. - EAST DOUGLAS Octoberfest Day, Main Street. Performance by Douglas School Band. Antiques, games, hay rides, arts and crafts, book sale, food booths, E.N. Jenckes Country Store open - items of interest for all ages; folk music. Space fee for exhibits at $15 available. Contact Ann Dix at 476-3388. Rain location at the "old" town hall, Main Street.

9 A.M. TO 2 P.M. NORTHBRIDGE - Harvest Festival at Memorial Square, Whitinsville (rain location: inside the Village Congregational Church). Fair with lots of activities, including great food, children's games and crafts, tag sale and silent auction, pies, crafts, raffle.

10 A.M. - NORTHBRIDGE - Blackstone River Canoe Race. Five mile flatwater race starting at Riverdale Mills, Riverdale Street, Northbridge and ending at the Charles Ballou Memorial Recreation Area, East Hartford Avenue, Uxbridge.

10 A.M. to 3 P.M. - SUTTON - Sherman Blacksmith and Wainwright Shop Demonstration. A blacksmith will be on hand to demonstrate his craft, sponsored by the Sutton Historical Society. Take Boston Road, off Route 146 to Sutton center.

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10 A.M. to 5 P.M. SUTTON - Public Library Book Sale and Open House, 4 Uxbridge Road.

7:30 P.M. - UXBRIDGE - Messengers Concert, a two hour concert with 20 minute intermission. Rousing songs of love, faith, hope and family in first half; gospel and religious music in the second half. Admission is free. however a raffle will be held for the benefit of the Blackstone River Canal heritage State Park.

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10 A.M. - GRAFTON - Olde Home Sunday - Baptist Church off Grafton Common. Morning worship will focus on the Christian Baptist Heritage in Grafton and the Blackstone Valley.

10 A.M. to 4 P.M. BLACKSTONE - Bay State Trail Rider "Play Day." Fun and games on horseback for the entire family. Admission fee for riders! Members $3.00 per class, non members $4.00 per class, spectators - free. Rain date: October 17th.

NOON TO 5 P.M. GRAFTON - Children's Heritage Festival 1993. Grafton Common (Route 140).

1 P.M. - 3:30 P.M. BLACKSTONE VALLEY Fire Truck Parade. Parade begins in Blackstone at 1 p.m. North on Route 122 to Millville to Uxbridge to Northbridge via Lackey Dam Road to Douglas, West along Route 16 to Mechanic Street to Manchaug Road to Sutton (2:10 p.m.) via Singletary Avenue to Millbury (2:25 p.m.) along West Main Street to Route 140 to Grafton (2:35 p.m.) South to Upton to Hopedale then West on Route 16 to Mendon to Uxbridge ending at Patrick's Pavilion at Routes 16 and 146.

2 P.M. to 4 P.M. - UXBRIDGE - Concert group to be announced at Riverbend Farm, Oak Street. Admission is free - bring your own chairs or blankets. The concerts are supported by a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, administered by the Uxbridge Arts Council and a grant from the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission. Concert goers are welcome to picnic on the lawn, overlooking the holding pond on the Blackstone Canal with lovely scenic views. The tow path along the canal begins at the farm and provides a 1 1/4 mile walk to the Stanley Woolen Mill. Riverbend Farm is located on Oak Street, approximately three miles from the center of Uxbridge. From the intersection of Route 122 and Rt. 16, in the center of Uxbridge, go east to Oak Street. Follow Oak Street north for approximately one mile. The farm is on the right side of Oak Street. Ample free parking is available.

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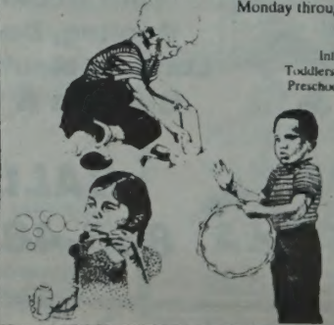

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10 A.M. TO 4:45 P.M. AND 7 P.M. EVENING ACTIVITIES
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From My Window on Farnsworth Court

By "Pastor Rae" Cameron

Well, we had a bit of excitement here on West Lake, Maine which is "My Window" these days. My Grandson Paul and I had been out bass fishing and we weren't doing much. As we came closer to shore, his Mom and Dad were there picking raspberries, so we came to them and my Grandson decided he wanted to join them.

When I got back to camp my wife wanted to know where Paul was, and I told her I had left him with his parents. It seems he didn't want to pick raspberries either and started to walk back to camp. He hadn't arrived yet, and his parents were out looking for him. I started on my CB Radio to call for help, but didn't get anywhere. So, I walked up the road from camp, met my daughter and son-in-law, but no Paul.

Back at camp, my wife had gotten through on the CB radio and the Game Warden was on his way by airplane. He landed and took my car back up the road, the pilot took off to search from the air, and I went back to where Paul had been left off. I told my daughter we had to leave Paul in the good hands of the people who knew how to find him. Bless her heart, she said she was leaving him in the hands of the One who knew right where he was.

The airplane came on down and landed again and went back to camp to find out Paul was found by his father and was just fine. He had stayed on the road, but must have gone a long way the wrong way.

"Lost on a Mountain in Maine" by Don Fendeler is about being lost off Mount Katahdin for about ten days. He followed a river until he came out in Patton. He prayed every night, and on his last day fell flat on his face to be picked up by gentle angel hands.

Paul also said that he had prayed too, and the worst part was the horse flies. Praise God, He answers prayer! Amen!

Surplus Food Distribution

SUTTON - Surplus foods will be distributed by the Sutton Council on Aging on Tuesday, September 14, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Manchaug Library. Items for distribution include: butter, flour, cornmeal, veggie beans, green beans, raisins, applesauce, peanut butter, pork, orange juice, apple juice, tomato juice, corn, peas, peaches, tuna, and rice.

Recipients must show proof of income eligibility such as: WIC, Fuel Assistance, Medicaid, SSI, or Low Income Housing, Head Start, Food Stamps, AFDC, or Veteran's Aid. Low income range is as follows: (Household Size) 1 (Income Range) $10,215; 2 - $13,785; 3 - $17,355; 4 - $20,925; 5 - $24,495; 6 - $28,065; 7 - $31,635; 8 - $35,205. For each additional person in the household, add $3,570 to the annual household income.

Grafton Job Corps Open House

GRAFTON - An open house at the North Grafton campus of the Grafton Job Corp for all department and training areas has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 15, from 4-7 p.m. The public is invited. Refreshments will be served.

Working together for the event are State Rep. Marsha Platt, Grafton Job Corp Director Donald Khajavi and Charles Bolack, chairman of the local volunteer Community Relations Council of the Job Corp.

The Job Corp., located on a multi-acre campus on Westboro Road, North Grafton, has extensive classroom and trade training facilities and currently has about 300 students. Most students are from the Southern New England area, including approximately 50 day students. Students range in age from 16-21 and usually stay a minimum of six months to a maximum of two years. Dormitories and classrooms are remodeled buildings of the former Grafton State Hospital. A new $6M classroom, dormitory and administrative building will soon enter the bidding stage. These centers are administered and supervised by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Gov. Weld to address Chamber

SUTTON - Gov. William F. Weld will address the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce during its 14th annual meeting on Thursday, September 16, at Pleasant Valley Country Club. A reception will run from 5:45-6:15 p.m., followed by dinner and the program. The cost of the meeting is $25 per person with tables of eight available for $200. To place reservations, contact Sandra Haagsma at 753-2924 or Mary Hubbard at 234-9090.

Weld will discuss a variety of business-related topics he considers critical as he winds down his first term. Continued economic reform, his proposed tax cuts and his efforts to boost global exports of Massachusetts' products and services are among the issues he is expected to address.

Elected to his first four-year term as governor in 1990, Weld is the first Republican to hold that office in 16 years. His goal to shrink state government and his pro-business positions won him the support of voters who were looking to a leader who could help the state's depressed economy.

Prior to the election, he was a senior partner with the Boston law firm of Hale & Dorr. From 1986 to 1988, he served as Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division under President Ronald Reagan. In 1981, he was named U.S. Attorney for Massachusetts by President Reagan.

A 1966 graduate of Harvard College, he received a diploma in economics and political science, with distinction, from Oxford University in 1967. In 1970, he graduated cum laude from Harvard Law School. He and his wife Susan live in Cambridge with their five children.

Volunteer training sessions

WORCESTER - Training sessions are scheduled for women interested in volunteering in one of the programs at Abby's House, a multi-service organization for homeless women and children. Shelter and day/lunch program staffers, as well as thrift shop and clerical staffers are needed.

The sessions offer an introduction to the organization and to the responsibilities of a staffer. You must attend one of these sessions to staff. Call 756-5486 to register during office hours, Monday-Friday from 9-4:30 p.m. The dates and times are: Saturday, September 18 from 9 a.m. to noon; Wednesday, October 20 from 6-9 p.m.; Saturday, November 13, 9 a.m. to noon.

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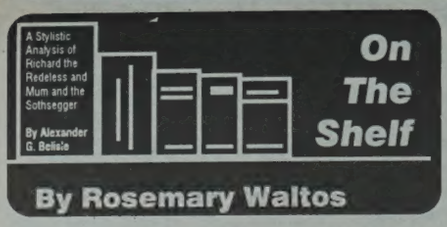

By Rosemary Waltos

Each year in the United States, over 50,000 children are abducted and never found. Young children are not safe when left unattended, even in the public library.

As in most public libraries, the staff at the Millbury Public Library is unable to determine if children are leaving the building with parents or strangers. In addition, they cannot monitor children's activities outside the building on the grounds, in the parking lot or on the street. For the protection and well being of children who enjoy our library, the following policy has been established.

All children are welcome to enjoy appropriate library programs, although it is important to note that some programs do require advance registration to assure participation. Adults accompanying children to library programs are welcome to leave the facility and return at the end of the program.

At times when programs are not available, all preschool children must be attended by an adult. School-age children up to age 15, not attending programs, are considered unattended children if they are left without adult supervision for more than one hour. **This includes children who wait for rides after school.**

Children are expected to make appropriate use of the library to assure that all library users have unobstructed access to the library and its services, materials and equipment without interference.

Children exhibiting disruptive behavior will be quietly, firmly and politely warned and/or asked to leave for a period of time from one day up to one week. The determination is left to the discretion of library staff dealing with the disruptive child.

Disruptive behavior is defined as behavior that represents physical danger to the child or others, or may serve to interfere with legitimate library business by other patrons or staff. This is behavior considered inappropriate in a setting where business is being conducted.

Some of the types of disruptive or inappropriate behavior include: running, throwing, vandalism, eating, loud or abusive talking, fighting, moving furniture, excessive socializing, entering and exiting the building repeatedly, or any other activities which disrupt normal business at the library.

In cases when the library is closed because of an emergency situation and unattended children are in the building, they will be brought to he Millbury Police Station.

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• Grafton Adult Continuing Education •

Registration: Tuesday, September 21 and Wednesday, September 22, 6:00 p.m.- 8 p.m., Grafton High School, Foyer of the main building. Please bring check made out to the *Town of Grafton* in the amount of course/courses to be taken. Please bring a self-addressed stamped envelope. *Closing date for registration is* **Monday, September 27.**

Fall Session: Classes begin the week of September 27th. **Exceptions:** Driver Education, please see write up. Basketball/ Volleyball begin the week of September 20.

Senior Citizens Half Price depending on availability.

Tuition Non-Refundable after beginning of class

Weather cancellations on Grafton Cable and usual radio stations

TYPING: In today's world typing is a survival skill. We are pleased to be able to offer this course to interested adults and to students, ages 13 and up. Susan Hanam will be the instructor. 10 weeks, Tuition $43*Tuesdays*7 to 9pm.

QUILT! QUILT! No sewing experience is needed. You don't have to spend hundreds of dollars for a handmade quilt. Create a traditional or original quilt or quilted project of your choice in just 10 weeks. Instructor: Joanne Sherritt**10 weeks, Tuition $48 plus cost of supplies* Mondays 6:30-9:30 pm

FURNITURE MAKING: Whether you are a novice or experienced in woodworking, this course is designed to provide you with information and guidance from Jim Carr who is an instructor in wood at Grafton Middle School. Wednesdays**10 weeks**7 to 10 p.m. Tuition $48 plus cost of supplies.

CAKE DECORATING: We are pleased to have Marie Lessard as an instructor in cake decorating for the beginner. She plans to begin with simple decorations and to progress to birthday and other special events. *10 weeks* *Tuesdays** 7-9:30 p.m. Tuition $45 plus cost of supplies.

PHOTOGRAPHY: Sue Hanam is prepared to work with you at an introductory or advanced level. The idea is to become familiar with the versatility of your camera and to share in the guidance and critique that will make your photography more enjoyable and the quality of your work more predictable. This is not a darkroom course although there is one available. If enough students are interested the course will be extended. 5 Weeks, Tuition $35*Tuesdays** 7 to 9:30 p.m.

COUNTRY CRAFTS. The tradition of New England crafts turn to the fall/winter season. Barbara Cleary returns for this session with plans for a course that offers a variety of crafts. Barbara is a member of the Stencil Artisan League. 10 weeks. Tuition**$45 plus costs for supplies** Wednesdays, 7 to 9:30 p.m.

GED PREPARATION: If you are over age 16 and you left school before graduating, this is the course you have been promising yourself to take. Ed Madden is our experienced instructor. He is great with returning students. Twice a week, for 8 weeks, he will concentrate on preparing you for the English, math and reading that you need. Tuition**$48 and the text is $9*Tuesdays and Thursdays,*7-9:00 pm.

COMPUTER I: Vivan Bedford will introduce you to the world of computers. You will take a trip through the rudiments of word processing, data base, and spreadsheets. (Limited to 14 students for personal attention). **8 weeks, Wednesday**7-9:30pm Tuition $45**

DRIVER EDUCATION - Afternoon Session: 15 classes. Applications available September 15th at the main office in GHS. Students will be assigned to the class when the registration closes on Sept. 24. Classes begin **Sept. 28th.** Tuition $45*Tuesday & Wednesday, 2:30-4:30 p.m *Instructor: Ray Wahlgren.

YOU AND YOUR ESP: This easy and informative six week program will introduce participants to their psychic. Intuitive properties through a variety of pleasant, experienced techniques. Creative visualization, aura reading, psychometry, crystal ball reading. The basic meditative practices will be covered along with historical introduction to occult lore. Wednesday *7-9 p.m.*6 weeks, Tuition $35. Instructor Stephen Halpert. Popular Radio-TV Psychic, Author and Lecturer.

PASTA-IN-COLORS: Learn how to make your own fresh pasta as quickly as boiling a box of 'Prince'. We will use a manual pasta machine and simple ingredients that can be purchased at your local grocery store. We will prepare cut pasta, filled pasta and baked pasta. Bring your appetites. Tuesdays beginning October 2" Three classes: Oct. 26, Nov 2, Nov 9. Each class will last 2½-3 hours. Instructor: Julie Fowler.**Tuition $30 plus cost of supplies.

EXPERIENCING THE GIFTED CHILD: Mrs. Gail McGrail, Teacher in the academically gifted and talented program. LIGHTS is offering a course designed to provide parents of these children with supportive strategies in order to encourage and direct their gifted children. Course content includes the following topics: Recognizing Exceptional Talents, Coping With The Bright Underachiever, Positive Outlets For Bright Kids, Finding Great Learning Materials For Your Gifted Learner, Exploring Community Programs and Resources for Gifted Children etc.**5 weeks, Wednesday, 7-9 p.m.**Tuition $35

SIMPLE FAST, DELICIOUS, HEALTHY MEALS: By the author of Magical Kitchen Cookbook, this 6-week course will help you discover easy, inexpensive ways to feed your family healthy, nourishing foods. Herbs are featured as well as recipes using tofu and other low fat, low calorie ingredients. Wednesday*7-9 pm*Tuition $38 plus cost of supplies**6 weeks. Instructor: Tasha Halpert.

STAINED GLASS: Comprehensive stained glass course with emphasis on professional techniques. Students will be individually instructed in proper techniques, design and structure. Students of all experience levels can be accomodated because limited class size allows for individual instruction. Tuition $60 plus cost of supplies. Instructor: Karyn Samuels, 10 wks, 7-10 pm, Tuesdays. Projects range from $26-$200. your choice.

THE WORLD OF WINDOWS 3.1. What it can do for you and your small business. Starting date, Tuesday, Sept. 28-Oct. 18, 7-9 p.m. The course will be an in-depth view of Windows 3.1, Word Perfect 5.2 and Freelance Graphics. Students will leave with thorough working knowledge of these and Windows 3.1 as a Operating Systems Enhancement. Tuition**$40. Instructor: Mike Harrington

ADVANCED DOS 5.0-6.0 COURSE: It will offer highly technical insight into the often confusing yet powerful Disk Operating Systems (DOS)Tues. Oct. 25-Nov. 27**7-9 pm. Tuition $40. Instructor: Mark Santora.

INVESTMENTS AND FINANCIAL PLANNING: This course will cover financial planning, choosing investments for the conservative, moderate and agressive investor, building wealth, saving for college, retirement and tax planning. Each attendee will have the option of designing their own financial plan. Instructor: Jim Smalley, Financial consultant with A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc., 4 weeks, Tuition *$30, Tuesdays, 7-9 pm*

IN THE GYM: Anyone can play: register on the spot either for the semester or one night at a time. $45 for the semester or $2.50 a night. Please have correct change.

BASKETBALL: 10 weeks,* Mondays and Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m.

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HAPPINESS IS A CHOICE: Learn how to be happy much of the time, regardless of conditions in our life. Discover the secret of calm centered, self awareness. Learn how to become the person you have always wanted to be. This special 2 hour lecture includes techniques and information anyone can use. 1 week**Tuition $5. Instructor: Tasha Halpert. Oct. 5,*7-9 p.m.

NATURAL SKIN AND HEALING: Your refrigerator contains as many potentials for skin care as you might desire. And eprhaps they are better for your skin than what you can buy over the counter. Find out how to mix and apply your own basic preparations for a healthier, happier face and body. This special 2-hour lecture includeds demonstrations and recipes. 1 week** Tuesday, October 12, 7-9 pm.**Instruction, Tasha Halpert. Tuition $5.

THE HEALING KITCHEN: The medicinal properties of foods and herbs have been known for centuries. Many of our modern medicines are based on plants and researchers today scour the world in search of new remedies. In this 2-hour lecture you will learn what healing foods and herbs you have in your kitchen that you can use to help you every day. 1 week**Tuesday, October 19, 7-9 pm. Tuition $5**Instructor: Tasha Halpert.

THE CREATIVE INSPIRATION: Overcoming writer's block, inspiring creativity, using laughter as a positive force in your life, all are covered in this fun filled 2-hour lecture guaranteed to enliven and inspire your creative spirit. 1 week, Tues, Sept. 28, 7-9 pm**Tuition $5. Instructor: Stephen Halpert.

THE MOVIES: An overview of American and foreign film from The Great Train Robbery to big screen blockbusters. All schools and types of film will be covered in this 2 hour overview designed to show a broader view of the movies as a potent force in our society. By the author of Brahmins and Bullyboys, a pictorial history of the early nineteenth century and A Return to Pagany, a history of a small press publication. 1 week**Tues., Oct. 5, 7-9 p.m. Tuition $5* Instructor: Stephen Halpert.

YOU AND YOUR ESP: A one evening, two hour class covering simple techniques for gaining a better understanding of your intuitive abilities as well as your power to heal yourself, and improve your life. You can and do use your intuition all the time, why not learn how to do so more directly. 1 week, Tues., Oct. 12**7-9 pm, Tuition $5*Instructor: Stephen Halpert.

RELAXATION: Simple techniques for back and shoulder massage you can do for your friends or mate. Learn how to release tensions form the neck, shoulders, and back just by sitting, breathing, and using basic methods to touch and heal the upper body. A 2-hour lecture/workshop for all ages. 1 week**Tuesday, Oct. 19, 7-9 pm**Tuition $5. Instructor: Stephen Halpert.

You don't have to be a resident of Grafton to take advantage of the offerings of Grafton Adult Continuing Education

Director of Adult Education Donna Johnson
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Wedding Anniversary Day

WORCESTER - Couples celebrating their 1st, 5th, 10th, 15th, 25th, 35th, 45th, and 50th and beyond wedding anniversaries in 1993 are invited to share in the diocesan "Wedding Anniversary Day" Celebration sponsored by the Office of Family Life Ministry. This year's celebration will be held on Sunday, October 24, 1993 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel/St. Ann, 53 East Central Street, Worcester. The concelebrated Mass will begin at 2 p.m. A brief reception will follow. If you would like to participate, contact the Office of Family Life Ministry at 791-7171 or your parish priest and give him your name, address, and wedding date by October 6, 1993.

Harvest Fair

GRAFTON - The Evangelical Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, will holds its annual Harvest Fair/Apple Pie Social on September 26 from noon to 4 p.m. on Grafton Common, rain or shine.

Featured will be a silent auction, attic treasures, crafts, raffles for a country quilt and a hot air balloon ride, children's face painting, games, clowns, pony rides, homemade apple pie, hot dogs, hamburgers, corn chowder.

Sounds of Worcester '93

WORCESTER - On Sunday, October 3, Worcester's historic Mechanics Hall, 321 Main Street, will host "Sounds of Worcester '93," to benefit the Worcester County Ecumenical Council. Tickets are $10 for balcony seats and $15 for table seating with hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. Tickets may be purchased at the Worcester County Ecumenical Council office, 25 Crescent Street, Worcester. Telephone, 757-8385.

This even will feature eight musical ensembles and soloists. All performers have donated their performances to benefit the work of the Council. Highlights include: a chamber orchestra comprised of students from Notre Dame Academy, St. John's High School and Worcester Academy; Goliard...A Vocal Ensemble; folk singer Patrick McGinley; concert pianist Petrika Melo; Pakachoag Community Music School faculty members; the Salisbury Singers; Will Sherwood, organist; Lucia Clemente Falco, organist; and The Worcester Gospel Mass choir.

The Worcester County Ecumenical Council has served the religious and civic community for over 50 years. An interdenominational church organization made up of nearly 170 member churches, the Council works to foster unity among Christian churches and to promote dialogue with other faiths. These efforts have brought numerous people together for vital outreach programs such as the CROP Walk for Hunger and the Interfaith Coalition for the homeless.

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5. Put yourself in a time-out chair. Think about why you are angry: is it your child, or is your child simply a convenient target for your anger?
6. Phone a friend.
7. If someone can watch the children, go outside and take a walk.
8. Take a hot bath or splash cold water on your face.
9. Hug a pillow.
10. Turn on some music. Maybe even sing along.
11. Pick up a pencil and write down as many helpful words as you can think of. Save the list.
12. Write for prevention information: National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse, Box 2866L, Chicago, IL 60690.

Budget and enrollment figures top school committee agenda

By Patricia A. Cooney

SUTTON - The final meeting of the School Committee's summer schedule took place August 30th. Those attending tonight's meeting included all Committee members, the Administrators and the newly appointed Elementary Principal, Amber Bock. It was just one week ago today that Bock took on the position after an initial interview by Assistant Superintendent Beverly Brown. She was appointed after a final interview by Superintendent Gordon Spence. Bock comes to the position from the Town of Newton.

The Superintendent moved to the first item on the agenda, a review of the FY'94 School Budget. Spence noted that he hadn't finalized all the school figures but said it looked like the Sutton School System was in good shape for the coming year.

"I don't see any problems," said Spence. "It appears that the Town is going to have to come up with an additional local effort for the schools. The rough figure that we have that comes from the State is $153,000 and change. The Town has already come up with an additional $44,000 from the Annual Town Meeting in May, so that leaves roughly $108,000 (to raise). I have talked with the Town Administrator and he said that he has the same feelings - that they (the Town) are going to have to do this through the Reform Bill. They," continued Spence, "are working this out at his level with the Selectmen and the Finance Committee, as to how they can do it (come up with $108,000) and they feel that there is a possibility that they can do it without an override, but they haven't got all the figures yet. The $108,000 would be less any additional expense that the Town has for health insurance and insurance period."

Committee member Ann Fox said she thought the insurance figures had already been included.

"To my knowledge," Spence answered, "no, because the State wouldn't know how many new people we would be putting on."

The Committee was then informed that the Reform money that came in was instrumental in the hiring of additional personnel and the reduction of class sizes. For grades 9-12, the class size was 32-35 students. Now, due to the additional staff, it will be 26-27 students.

Spence also said that the High School accreditation, which begins next year, would have been affected without the new staff and the reduction in class sizes. He said the Reform money helped the Sutton School System avoid "big time problems."

Principal's Report

High School Principal Vito Filipkowski said there will be a new art teacher who will be working at the High School and the Junior High. Also a new Music teacher has been hired whose obligations will include Elementary, Junior High and High School. There will be a new full time Language instructor and a new Junior and Senior High Math teacher.

Filipkowski said the competition for these positions was terrific and the Town has acquired four excellent young teachers who are enthusiastic about teaching.

It was also reported that the enrollment at the Secondary level (9-12) has increased by about 22 students, from 259 to 281. The addition of a Language teacher, Filipkowski said, has made it possible to offer French to all Grade 8 students for a half year with the second half offering a Study Skills course. Computers on the Grade 7 level will also be offered this year for a six to eight week period.

Committeeman Victor Kourey asked about the enrollment at the Junior High level. He was informed that there are 322 pupils in Grades 6-8. Figures also showed that 22 students dropped out while 22 came into the system, thus retaining the 322 pupil level. Filipkowski, upon request, gave a list of the schools to which these students had gone: 14 to Valley Tech, nine to Saint John's, six to Holy Name, three to Notre Dame, two to Worcester Academy, one to Bancroft and one to Marianapolis. It was stated that Sutton is doing everything possible to retain all its students and that without the School Reform Bill, there would have been more leaving and Sutton would probably have lost its accreditation.

The Committee was also told that a position of Librarian is essential for accreditation. The position is still being advertised.

A new "No Smoking" Policy is soon to be enforced which means that no smoking will be permitted in school buildings and on all school grounds. This includes all bathrooms, boiler rooms, closets and gyms. Affected are all personnel, parents, students, teachers, principals, janitors and superintendents. Fields, stadiums and any other school grounds are also included. Guidelines from the State have not been received and Spence is waiting to see them before setting a policy for before and after school hours. He said he hoped that the State would provide "No Smoking" signs.

In response to a question from Committeewoman Alison Snyder, the following enrollment figures were given for the High School: Grade 9, 73 students; Grade 10, 93; Grade 11, 59; Grade 12, 56.

Spence said the Town has had more people coming in and fewer leaving, thus he expects the enrollment at the High School to increase to an 85-100 student graduating class. He credited a good school system in Sutton for the increase in School Choice by parents from other systems. "We have had to turn down parents who want to send their children here because we have no openings at any level," Spence said.

At the end of his report, Filipkowski thanked three individuals, school secretary Linda Sadowski and Guidance personnel Diane Michalak and Mike Perron, for their "above and beyond help and assistance" over the past two weeks when the students schedules were inadvertently lost due to computer problems.

"There were no student schedules as of two weeks ago," he said, "and Linda, Diane and Mike worked tirelessly, day and night on the schedules. These three people worked on them sometimes until 7 or 8 o'clock at night. They did a super, super job getting the system to work and without their efforts, I don't know where we would be," said Filipkowski.

New Principal

Newly appointed Elementary Principal Amber Bock said that even though she had been on the job for only one week, she believes that meetings with the administration and staff have been very productive.

She announced that the enrollment at the Elementary level is 689 students and there are four additional faculty members on board: 4th Grade, 3rd Grade, Special Ed and a full time Guidance Counselor. There will also be a new first grade, making a total of six first grades. This will keep class size at about 23 or 24 students.

Snyder asked if there are any changes in the Reading Program for this year.

Bock said the program will be basically the same except that she hopes to see more diversification of materials and experiences so as to implement more heterogeneous grouping.

Driver Education Program

Spence recommended that the School System get out of the driver education business. He said that due to liability and the fact that no compensation came to the School System from private auto schools, it would be prudent for everyone concerned to terminate the service. He suggested that parents choose an auto school on their own.

After much discussion, the Committee agreed unanimously that Sutton would no longer offer Driver Education.

The regular meeting ended at 8:25 when the Committee voted to go into Executive Session for the purpose of Collective Bargaining.

Millbury Night Classes

Monday

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Tuesday

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"In two parts?" asked Johnson. "One part is $320,000 and the second $159,000." Johnson noted he had written down the first but not the second at the start of the meeting. "I subtract that now, and I get $136,000 left. Right?" he asked.

"Out of that, we know the insurance needs to be raised," Carlisle said.

Connor disagreed noting that $30,000 + is already in the insurance account.

Carlisle said some of the money could go into the insurance account as the town gets credit, dollar-for-dollar. "Whether it goes for their employees to cover their expenses in that account, it is all the same," he said.

Johnson asked if the insurance account would change.

Carlisle explained, "It won't change, it just shifts it."

Connor said there was $28,000 more in the insurance account this year than last year. "Let's assume we get more school employees, and that is why that's there."

Johnson suggested that the selectmen should have some idea if it goes up.

It was Piel's belief that there were not sufficient funds budgeted to accommodate increased insurance rates and employees. Connor remarked that no matter how high it (the increase in insurance cost) goes it comes out of the $159,000, "and we don't have to come up with added money."

Carlisle agreed.

Johnson asked where the $159,000 was coming from.

Connor replied it is the contribution that has to be given to the School department by the town.

Johnson asked, "All I want to know is how much money we will have to fool around with. What else is needed to come out of the $136,000, and what will we have left?....In other words we have a sum of $136,000 we can utilize. What other big obligations do we have?"

Carlisle suggested that some thought be given to funding collective bargaining agreements.

Connor asked if it wasn't correct that the $40,000 additional money given to the school department was not in the $480,000 figure.

Carlisle said that was correct.

Connor then suggested that $40,000 could be added to the $137,000.

Carlisle said it could to the best of his knowledge.

"Whoa!" said Johnson. "This is the question I was asking. Of all the money that we have already allowed to the schools, how much more do we owe? You told me $480,000."

Carlisle said that was the worse case scenario.

Johnson observed, "Then that leaves us with $136,000 left."

"It could go higher to $170,000," said Carlisle.

"It comes in somewhere between $137,000 and $177,000; that's if the $40,000 is included," Labonte interjected.

"We are having a meeting tonight because in two weeks we are going to have a Special Town Meeting to balance our budget," Johnson observed. "We have no time to make further adjustments until we hear from the wisdom of the FinCom when they make their recommendations. We have to make up our minds how the $136,000 is going to be spent. That's why we are here tonight. If we had two or three nights, we could fool around and ask all kinds of questions. The bottom line is, how many thousands of dollars do we have to spend over and above what is needed to balance the budget. Isn't it that simple or does it have to get complicated?" he asked. "It was suggested that the $137,000 be cut to $100,000, and leave it at that."

Connor noted that the $137,000 was the least surplus amount, and this amount could increase to $177,000. "I would like to know, and I'm most sure the $40,000 would be credited to the $159,000 to the schools," she said.

Carlisle noted he, like the board, would like to have it that way, "and we should work to get that. It's a matter of internal local figures, not the state, which are developed from figures from our accountant."

Connor went over the figures again, saying that the state has told the town that the figure of $159,000 is the amount the town has to give the schools over and above what Sutton allotted last year.

Carlisle noted that would be true considering the limited knowledge that Boston has.

"It's up to us to finish that computation here locally," Connor said. "The town has to count noses as to how many there are in the schools and how much health insurance they are taking."

Carlisle noted that there are some things that will come out of the total and the numbers will have to be crossed-checked.

Gvazdauskas stated, "The point is, to be on the safe side, the $136,000 figure that Wally was talking about is more than the amount appropriated last May. I have a figure of $476,304 more than what was appropriated. What Wally is trying to say is that we and the FinCom have to know how much we can spend safely."

Connor indicated she thought the $40,000 was a given as to the $159,000 allotment to the schools. "As the conversation goes on, it may not be," she observed. "Maybe we will know more when we have all the numbers."

Carlisle said he would try to work with the town accountant on the numbers Tuesday but also noted it will not be a matter of one day's work.

Johnson asked when the warrant for the September meeting had to be posted.

"It was posted today," Carlisle said.

"How posted," Johnson asked, "with no increases?"

Carlisle replied, "That the town will amend article 6."

"So all of it will be done at one time?" replied Johnson. "Now, we have to decide how we are going to amend article 6 to see how we are going to utilize this $136,000," he added. "I'm sure it won't be used for lowering the tax rate."

Gvazdauskas suggested that if the figures are not available now, why not set the figure at $136,000 as the town could have up to $177,000. "If the taxes go down, we will have something to work with," he said.

Johnson recalled "'free cash' as having run into a deficit last year. "I think it surprised us and a lot of other people," he said. "That's a fact, and that is what happened. How do we stand on that situation? Do we have to make any appropriation to correct that situation or do we let it ride and ride and ride?"

Carlisle noted he did not have the closing figures on free cash. He explained that Dexter and Redding indicated the deficit would be smaller in 1992 and will bring a much smaller deficit this year. "The gap is closing on that," he said.

Carlisle noted that Fincom did a good job bringing forth a conservative budget for FY '94.

Johnson noted that the town stayed within its limits.

Carlisle agreed saying, "That's right. I can see you didn't strain anything so when you go into (FY) '94, you should be in good shape."

"If we strain ourselves and go beyond," said Johnson, "we will end up like we did in the past, working on next year's 'free cash.'
I don't want to do that. If we stay within our limits, it looks like we will close the gap."

Connor said she had written down some questions that need to be reviewed and asked that she have the information by the end of this week; (1) What will be the numbers for health insurance; (2) How much will Sutton have to add to

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what has been appropriated; (3) To the $40,000 already in the budget, how or will that be credited towards the $159,000 to go to the schools this year; (4) what is the bottom line that is needed to be appropriated; and (5) check out the School Reform Bill formula.

Connor was not sure how the town would go about doing that and asked if there were any other questions about the school budget.

Claudette Rice referred to the numbers the Superintendent uses when he fills the forms out to include Equal Educational Opportunities monies, Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational School monies, employee benefits and insurance, and debt and interest plus figures for spending for other schools. "I would like to know what the figure of $385,387 is made up of," she asked.

Labonte asked if it would be a stumbling block to have Carlisle get the figures the board needs from the town accountant. Carlisle said the figures are needed and suggested it was time for the accountant to show the numbers.

Rice said she would check with Spence to see if the numbers supplied are based on the FY '93 report. "They have been in the past. We have to check where to put the $159,000 in order to get a balance budget."

Connor said she had a question concerning a pay raise of 2% which really is 1% percent for the whole year.

Gvazdauskas said the amount was a sum of $13,000 and 5% percent over 1992.

Connor said the first item of concern should be for the negotiated pay increase that was signed. She noted the funds have not been appropriated. "The contract is subject to appropriations, and the question arises how to get the monies in," she said.

Rice said the monies would be put in under "General Government" and the figures may have to be changed.

Connor also raised a question as to the non-union workers and how there raises are to be handled. "The question of monies for the negotiated raises has to be addressed and also for non-union workers, if we pay them the same raise. We need the figures on that," she said.

Johnson suggested that all that needs to be done is to vote an increase in appropriation to take care of the raises.

Rice noted that before there was talk about having a surplus of $616,000. Now, with talk of raises, that surplus will be reduced to nothing. "We need to know where the monies are going under the line items in areas such as 'general government,' by department." Johnson said what is needed is a total amount. "It should be the same for non-union as for union. If it's (a raise of) 5% percent, then it's 5% percent. We need a total number," he said.

Carlisle said he would follow the selectmen's instructions and do the computations and some projections for no-union employees and communicate that back to the Board.

Connor said that as chairperson, she is looking at a way the Board can talk about warrant articles three, four, and five on the warrant. Article three asks for $40,000 for two police cruisers; article four asks for $89,000 for two new dump trucks, and article five asks for $89,000 for a backhoe.

The board discussed resubmitting these articles which were defeated at the last town election.

Connor noted there were some sentiments on the board not to resubmit the articles. She suggested that it could be done in another way.

Johnson said "it wouldn't be using the voters right" to bring it back at the special town meeting. He said the charter sets up a two step process for conducting town business when it set up two town meetings. "Now we are having a third, a 'special,'" he said. He noted these articles were defeated at the Annual Election and suggested that they could be brought up at the next Annual Town meeting. "Are we doing the right thing?" he asked.

Labonte said the selectmen should be leaders and let the residents know these article items are needed.

Johnson said he was not saying they are not needed, but that they should not be funded at this time and in this way.

"The cruisers are needed and (Police Chief) John (Annis) can't go without them," LaBonte said.

Selectman Dana Gravison said he could understand both views but if the board can come up with a different way of funding these articles, residents probably would accept it.

Johnson argued that the board does not have the right to do that to the voter and is, in effect, saying, "The hell with you. We are going to do it this way. When we consider these things let's consider the ethics involved," he said.

Gvazdauskas said he supported Johnson's views and that since the articles were turned down, they should wait until 1994 to be brought up again.

Connor referred to the spring election when the articles were on the ballot. She stated the Board of Selectmen did what they thought was the best thing to do. She suggested that it can be seen differently now that the town may now have an excess of money and enjoy a reduction in the debt service. "We didn't do a good job of getting it (the need for these items) across to people. We have to take the blame for that. We need to explain the need," she said.

Rice said the residents have to be educated as to what an "override" is as opposed to a "debt exclusion."

Labonte said the departments need the items included in these articles to run their departments and do their jobs efficiently and effectively. "If we don't believe it," he said, "we should tell them. If we do believe we need the equipment, we should find a mechanism to do it."

FinCom member George Wiegele said that in running town government, if there are issues of health and safety then, "We need to belly up and make good." He also asked why, if there is a surplus, it has to be spent? He said that has happened since he has been on FinCom.

Connor said, at times, there are needs which require expenditures.

Wiegele said it is a matter of how needs are defined. "It's okay if it's safety issues," he said. "I also can see a need for financial prudence."

FinCom member Irma Whitney said the town is asking the police and highway departments to ride around in unsafe equipment. She also mentioned the added costs of constant repairs.

FinCom member Jernberg said there have been times when FinCom has spent a minute and a half on an item of $300,000 and at other times spent a whole evening debating spending $300. "It's a matter of credibility of town government," he said. "People get irritated at some of this."

Piel suggested that maybe the town should look to fund only one rather than two cruisers at this time.

Police Chief John Annis spoke of the urgent need to purchase the two vehicles as the present ones have high mileage and are in immediate need of replacement. He said that trying to rehabilitate a cruiser does not work out as it has been tried. "The vehicle is a bunch of junk," he said. "It's a safety issue that needs to be addressed. They (cruisers) are death traps."

Recreation Committee members spoke in favor of article seven requesting $28,000 or such other sums as might be necessary for improvements to several recreational areas in town. It was noted by one member that contacts have been made to seek other sources of funds through Representative Richard Moore and Sheriff Mike Flynn. Gvazdauskas said he has been to Camp Marion and noted that much vandalism has gone on there. The town spent a half million on buying the property and monies have been spent to clean up the weeds. "The town should do something or sell the property," he said. "It has to be utilized or it is going to continue being vandalized."

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

[Connor explained to the Chronicle, in the same September 3 conversation notifying us of the change in the Special Town Meeting date, that the figures for meeting the town's obligations and balancing the budget are being reviewed by the town accountant. When the numbers are finalized, it is expected that FinCom will hold its public hearing. According to Connor, it is possible that the anticipated surplus that was discussed in this article may not be as high as anticipated. She also suggested that there may be a need to make some cuts to balance the budget.]

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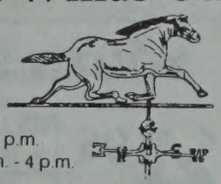

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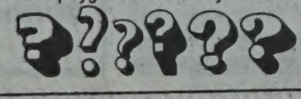

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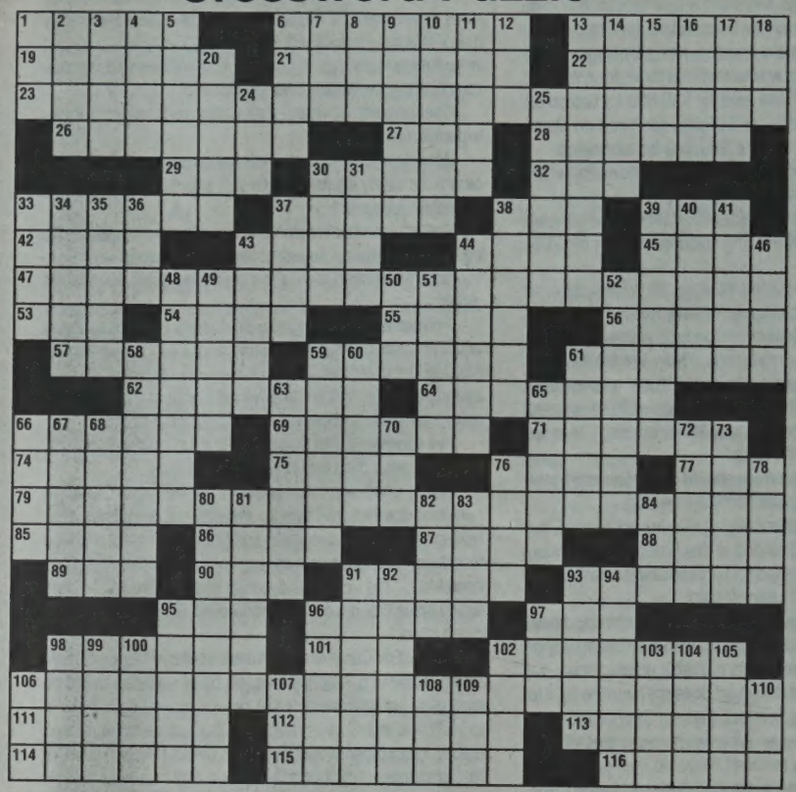

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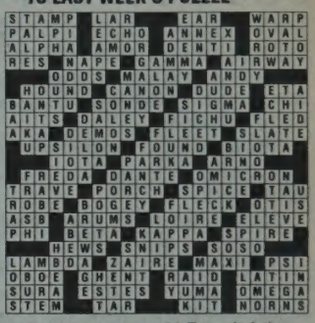

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Anyone interested please contact either the Safety Officer or Joan Raymond at 865-3521, Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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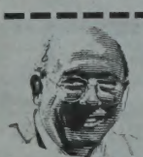

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Calendar

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

SUTTON - The Sutton Public Library invites the public to an Open House today from 10 a.m. to noon.

MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church on West Main Street is sponsoring its annual Flea Market from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MILLBURY - The Women's Council of the Millbury Baptist church will hold its annual Fall Yard Sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Church on Main Street, next to the town common.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

MILLBURY - The Millbury Women's Club will meet at the First Congregational Church, West Main Street. A mini-lunch at noon will be followed by a presentation by NEADS of West Boylston, a nonprofit service that trains and places assistance dogs to help people who are deaf or mobility disabled. Public invited.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

MILLBURY - A meeting for Pee Wee Basketball coaches will be held at the Shaw School Cafeteria at 7 p.m.

MILLBURY - An information night for parents of seniors planning on college or other formal post high school training will be held at 7 p.m. in the Millbury High School Auditorium.

SUTTON - The Sutton Boy Scouts will hold an Open House/Registration Night for any boy wishing to join scouting from 7-8 p.m. at the Sutton Public Library. Registration fee is $15.00 for all levels; Boys Life magazine is optional.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

MILLBURY - The parents of Grade 7 students are encouraged to participate in an evening orientation program at the Media Center/Library of Millbury Jr./Sr. High School at 7 p.m.

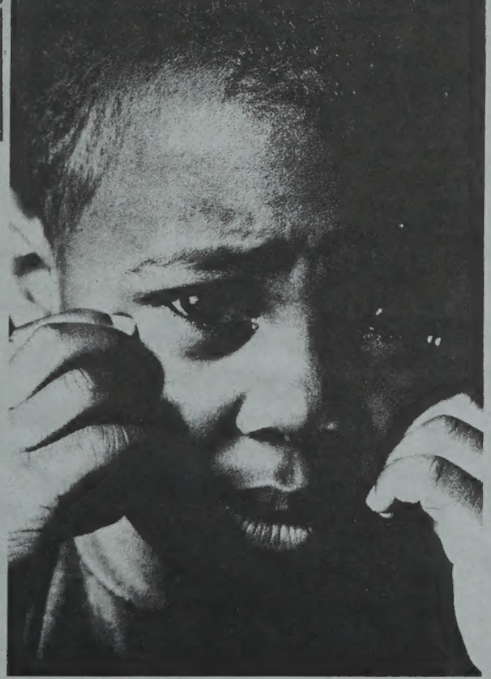
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

MILLBURY - The Friends of the Millbury Public Library will hold its annual meeting at 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

MILLBURY - The Friends of the Millbury Public Library will hold a Book and Bake Sale at the Library from 9 a.m. to noon.

Guess who had a bad day at work?



Too often, kids get the worst of their parents' bad day at work. In the form of verbal abuse at home. If that's been happening to you, you've got to work to change things. Stop using words that hurt. Start using words that help.

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Cooking good!

MILLBURY - A pre-labor day cookout for employees of the Millbury Post Office was held September 3rd in the P.O. parking lot. Chefs Extraordinaire Richard Croteau and Paul Jandron, otherwise known as the Princes of Patties, were among the employees who kept the fires burning for a steady stream of hungry employees throughout the afternoon.

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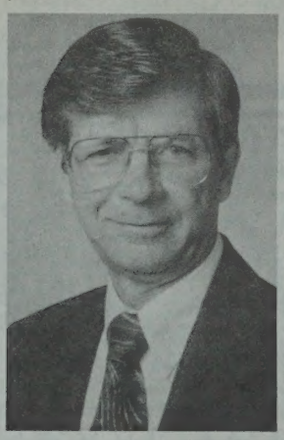
Fall yard sale

MILLBURY - The Women's Council of the Millbury Baptist church will hold its annual Fall Yard Sale on Saturday, September 11, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Church on Main Street, next to the town common. Weather permitting, the sale may be held outside.

Items will include plants, silk flower arrangements, crafts, attic treasures, toys, puzzles, books, "kitchen things," dollar-a-bag used clothing, "doo-dads," "you-name-its," what's-its," and all sorts of bargains. There will also be a bake table, some new holiday crafts and a snack bar.

Millbury Credit Union announces promotions

MILLBURY - The Millbury Credit Union (MCU) recently promoted David Cofske and Rhonda Arsenault to the positions of vice president/manager and treasurer/senior financial officer, respectively. The announcement was made by MCU president and chief executive officer Joseph F. Barbato, Jr.



In his 22-year career with MCU, Cofske served as loan officer, loan department manager, assistant credit union manager, credit union manager, and, most recently, manager/comptroller. In his new position, he will be responsible for savings servicing, data processing, deposit operations, security, facilities management, and voice and data processing.

A lifelong Millbury resident, Cofske has been town treasurer since 1979. He serves on the board of the Central Credit Union Fund, and is past vice president of the Worcester Chapter of the Massachusetts Credit Union League.

Arsenault joined MCU in 1989 as internal auditor. As treasurer and senior financial officer, she will oversee all regulatory reporting, bookkeeping, financial management, and budget processing. She is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts, and earned a master's degree in business administration from Suffolk University.

Founded in 1934, the Millbury Credit Union has assets exceeding $73 million. All the deposits of more than 14,000 members are insured in full by the combined strength of the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA) and the Massachusetts Share Insurance Corporation (MSIC).

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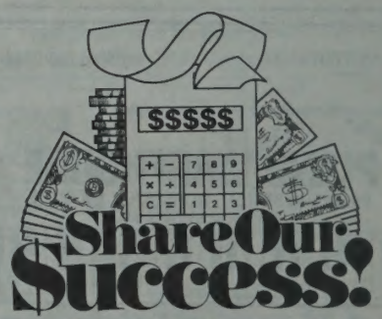

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